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EDITORIAL

The Modern Miracle

BY PRESIDENT N. ELDON TANNER

SCATTERED throughout the world today are approximately 12,000 fine young men and women, ranging between the ages of nineteen and twenty-three, who have answered the call as Mormon Missionaries to take the message of the Restored Gospel to all who will listen. These young men and women come from homes where their parents are engaged in every kind of vocation—profession, industry, trade and farming—from the poorest and humblest to the wealthiest of homes.

Here in the British Isles we have approximately 1,200 of these humble missionaries, who like the others throughout the world, have left homes where many have enjoyed the luxuries of the modern home, including central heating, tiled baths, etc., and above all the loving care of a mother who has looked after their every need, and fathers to whom they could turn for money, encouragement and advice. All coming here at their own expense or at the expense of their families, relatives or friends, they leave the association of their many friends and relatives, they give up their baseball, basketball, tennis, swimming, track meets, and sports of all kinds. They leave their sweethearts behind, forget their dancing, car riding, picture shows and other entertainment. They forego their schooling or chosen vocation, or whatever they may be doing, to go to a strange land and settle down to the daily grind of missionary work for a period of two to two-and-a-half years.

They are fine, clean-living young people who abstain from the use of tea, coffee, liquor and tobacco. Many of them are required to learn new languages and new customs and all of them to work among strange people whom they have never met and of whom they know very little. These young people have had no formal training in theology and know little of the scriptures, therefore they must settle down to learn the scriptures and the languages and prepare themselves to take the Gospel message to all with whom they may be called and are priviledged to labour.

One of their first experiences is to find lodgings, many of which lack the comforts of home and in none of them do they find that loving care of a mother or the association of other members of the family. Here each is given a companion with whom he lives, and they deprive themselves of many of the material and youthful comforts and desires to which they have been accustomed and humble themselves and plead with their Father in Heaven to make them worthy of the call that has come to them. They discipline themselves by rising at 6 o'clock in the morning and by following strictly the mission rules and the instructions of their mission president, always keeping an eye riveted on the work. They are prepared to travel in the rain, snow and mud, by foot, bicycle, scooter or car. And with rain in the face, muddy boots and wet clothing they go from door to door, day after day, and in spite of ridicule and opposition of all kinds, learn to love the people and smile under all difficulties.

They plead with the people to listen while they teach them the principles of the Restored Church and urge them to repent and be baptised and follow the teachings of the Saviour. They go from door to door trying to reach the poor, the weak, the strong and the influential, bearing testimony in all humility that God lives, that Jesus is the Christ and that the Gospel in its fullness has been restored in these the latter days; that the Church of Jesus Christ has been re-established with Apostles and a Prophet, and with the same organisation that existed in the primitive church; that the Priesthood of God and its Authority is now upon the earth. They plead with the people to kneel and pray with them that

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THE STORY BEHIND THE GLASGOW STAKE

by President Bernard P. Brockbank

TWO of Scotland's valiant native sons, Elders Samuel Mulliner and Alexander Wright, were the first Latter-day Saint missionaries in Scotland. On December 20, 1839, they reached Glasgow.

Elder Mulliner was born in Haddington, East Lothian, on January 15, 1809. He later emigrated to Canada and there accepted the gospel. He left for Missouri, U.S.A., to join the Saints and body of the Church.

Elder Wright was born in Banff on January 27, 1804. He also emigrated to Canada and there joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and moved to Kirtland, Ohio, U.S.A. The two met in the Church and sent on missions to Scotland.

The gospel was first taught on January 10, 1840, in Bishopton, a village near Paisley. Four days later Alexander Hay and his wife, Jessie, were baptised in the River Clyde. They were confirmed, their children blessed and the sacrament was administered in their home.

But the church was not long permitted to proceed on its way unopposed. As interest in the gospel message grew, so did resistance to its messengers. The elders taught and testified in Bishopton, Glasgow, Paisley, Bridge-on-Weir, Kilpatrick, Houston, Johnston, Kilbarchan, Kilmalcolm, etc.

Samuel Mulliner and his family. It was this Scottish-born Elder who first took the Gospel to Scotland in 1839.

Public meetings were regularly held in a rented hall in Paisley.

The missionaries were forced to leave Kilpatrick under a shower of stones and rubbish, tongue-lashing and slan-

ders . . . but with a feeling of success and surpassing peace and joy in the knowledge of duty well performed.

When Elder Orson Pratt arrived in Scotland in early May 1840, he found 80 members of the Church. On May 8, 1840, the Paisley Branch was organised under his direction as the first organised branch of the Church in Scotland.

Elders Pratt and Mulliner travelled to Edinburgh. On a high level, above the castles of Holyrood and Edinburgh, one sees in the distance a majestic rugged hill. It is known as " Arthur's Seat." There Orson Pratt retired the morning after his arrival in Edinburgh and earnestly pleaded with the Lord to give him 200 souls. That number and more was the answer to that humble prayer.

Branches of the Church were established in most of the towns visited and taught by the missionaries. Two more elders joined the small missionary force on June 17, 1840. They were Elders Hedlock and McAuley.

The membership of the Church in Scotland was reported as high as 3,291 back in the year 1853. Missionary work has continued strongly ever since that time.

Today there are more than 200 full-time missionaries in Scotland.

STRIDING TOWARDS STAKEHOOD

Since the organisation of the Scottish-Irish Mission in March, 1961, with 2,034 members and 132 missionaries and 16 branches, the growth has been tremendous. By December, 1961, membership was 6,336 with 39 branches and nearly 300 missionaries.

There were 678 converts during that month of December, and from January 1962 to July 1962, the mission increased its membership to over 11,000 members in 63 branches, with 333 missionaries (26 of these members being local Elders and Sisters.)

They also have 21 Scottish boys serving as church building missionaries in the British Isles.

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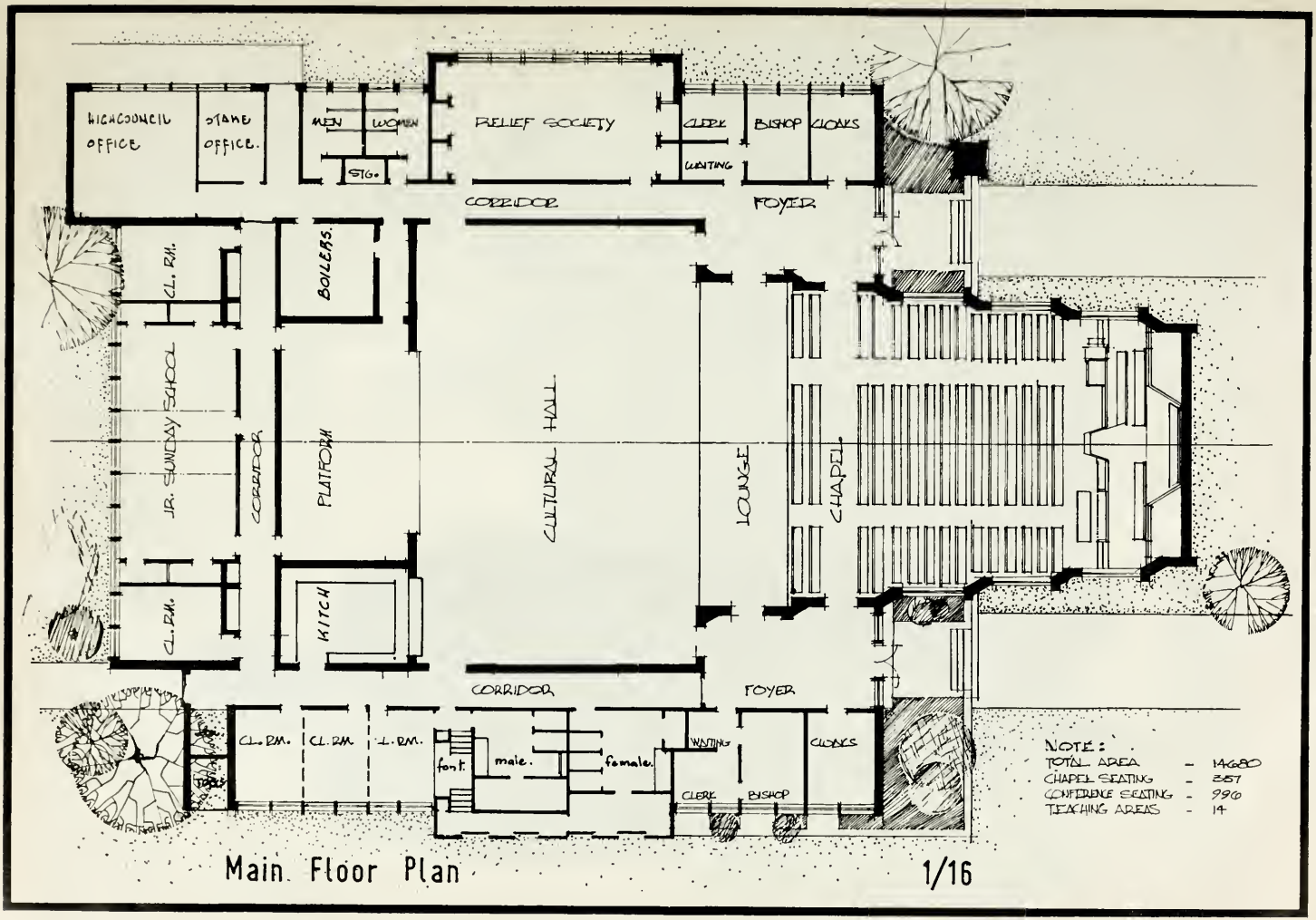
When the North British Mission was formed in May, 1960, there were 50 Singing Mothers in the Scottish District Relief Society chorus. Under the direction of Sister Catherine Richardson, wife of the new Glasgow Stake President, we now have over 200 Sisters in the chorus. Twenty Scottish sisters and two Irish sisters were blessed to participate in the International Singing Mothers chorus in March, 1961.

The Scottish-Irish Mission Relief Society was formed in March, 1961, with Nada R. Brockbank as President, Catherine C. Richardson, 1st Counsellor, and Jane Morrow, 2nd Counsellor. They have made very rapid growth during the past 18 months with 56 Relief Societies in Scotland and Ireland.

The Irish Mission was formed in July 1962, taking 10 Relief Societies. This left 46 Relief Societies in Scotland.

President Bernard P. Brockbank, the Scottish Mission President. It is through his inspiration and leadership that the Scottish Mission membership has grown from just over 2,000 saints to the present-day total of more than 11,000.



The main floor plan of the proposed Glasgow Stake Centre

Organisation of the GLASGOW Stake—August 26, 1962

WHEN David O. McKay first set foot on Scottish soil on August 26th, 1897, as a young missionary, little did he realise that exactly 65 years later on August 26th, 1962, he would return to Scotland to organise the first Stake of Zion in that land . . . the Glasgow Stake.

And he was taken right back to these early missionary days when he came face to face with Sister Annie McVie, at 83 years of age the oldest member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Scotland. For Sister McVie is the daughter of George Campbell, a missionary friend and companion to President McKay. Brother Campbell spent seven years preaching the Gospel to friends and relatives in Scotland.

At 11 a.m. on Sunday, August 26th, a hush fell upon the largest gathering of Latter-day Saints ever to meet under one roof in Scotland . . . more than 2,700 saints and investigators gathered in St. Andrew's Hall, Berkeley Street, Glasgow . . . as the Prophet came into their midst. To be in his presence was like turning on a light after being in the darkness.

President David O. McKay presided at the Stake organisation conference, with President Bernard P. Brockbank, the Scottish Mission President, conducting. On the stand sat all of the Mission Presidents now serving in the British Isles. The organising General Authorities were President Nathan E. Tanner, an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, and President Marion D. Hanks, of the First Council of Seventy.

THE PROPHET SPEAKS

THIS is truly a wonderful occasion. We have organised the first Stake in Scotland after the Gospel has been preached here for over 100 years. I congratulate every one of you who this day has voted to sustain this organisation. The three brethren who have been chosen to preside over this Stake have each expressed their willingness to serve.

Each one of you who voted has accepted an equal responsibility too—to sustain this organisation. That is what it means to vote, that we are willing to discharge that responsibility.

Before talking about that responsibility I want to tell you two stories. One is a quotation from a letter written by a banker in Hartsville, South Carolina. He wrote it to a fellow banker in Salt Lake City. Part of the letter reads as follows :

" Several weeks ago a Methodist preacher, talking to a rotary group, expressed the idea that what we needed in these troubled days was the kind of religion that would combine the characteristics of a number of denominations. He yearned for a religion and a faith that would make people work like the Baptists, enthuse over it like the Methodists, pay for it like the Presbyterians, be proud of it like the Episcopalians and enjoy it like the negroes. For the past year I have been co-operating with a small group in Hartsville in financing the building of a Mormon church in Hartsville. The original loan was made on a monthly payment basis : it was met promptly, in fact more than promptly, being paid for a month before the last payment was due. I have been tremendously impressed with the enthusiasm, the self-sacrifice and the devotion of this small group of men and women to their Church. A short time ago when the leader of this group came to see me about financing the final cost of the project, I readily agreed to extend a loan. I then told him the story of the talk by the Methodist Minister, and said, ' Your religion meets the requirements of every point '. I spoke with sincerity because I have never seen a group that work harder and with greater enthusiasm, joy and pride, nor with greater self-sacrifice than the group of men and women who constitute the Mormon Church in Hartsville." Signed A. L. M. Wigans, President of the Bank of Hartsville, South Carolina.

The other instance happened in Ayrshire last Friday morning. I suggested as soon as we met President Brockbank and the company who came to meet us at the airport that we visit the birthplace of Robbie Burns, so that my son, Robert, and his wife might get an opportunity to see that famous landmark. I felt guilty after we started because I knew that I was interfering with the work outlined by President Tanner and President Hanks and the other brethren, and the distance seemed further down to Ayr than it did when I visited it before. I thought it was on the road towards Glasgow—after 65 years I was not so young as I used to be.

As we started off, President Brockbank spoke to a stranger, unbeknown to me, and asked the best road to Ayr. That stranger said, " Follow me ". He jumped in his car and led the way. I thought Brother Brockbank knew him. I learned afterwards that he was a total stranger. He led us until we got down to Ayr and then we lost him. He soon overtook us and said, " I stopped to show you Tam o' Shanter's Inn ".

President Tanner, organising authority of the Glasgow Stake, and (seated behind him) **President David O. McKay voting for the formation of the Stake.**

We soon found out that he was an admirer of Robbie Burns. It was evident that he was an admirer of the poet and eager to quote him at every opportunity, for when he stopped, he said, " When you stand on the Brigadoon " (this is the way he put it) " You hear the poet's words, ' Ye banks and braes of Bonnydoon, how can ye bloom so fresh and fair; How can ye chant ye warbling birds, when I'm sae weary, full of care ".

I thought, what a wonderful example of public service: he had never seen us before; he was just a citizen of Scotland rendering a good deed to strangers. No wonder, I thought, that Scotland was beloved at home and honoured abroad. If nothing else had happened, we strangers to him would go away remembering Scotland because of the wel-

come extended to strangers by one of the sons of this great land.

We took his name and his address; I don't know whether we will ever meet him again or he meet us, but it was a service rendered to this nation by a humble stranger who guided us to the birthplace of his favourite poet.

You and I today have voted to establish in Scotland a Stake of Zion in honour of the Lord Jesus Christ, who came to the earth to represent His Father in person. Jesus Christ, the Lord, who had nowhere to lay His head. But He enthused the men who associated with Him for just a little over two years in such a way they would give their life gladly to let other people know that Jesus was the Son of God; and especially to let them know that Jesus Christ, their Lord, had risen from the dead. That was the great message—that the resurrection of the Lord was real, and they wanted everybody in the world to know that great truth.

You and I should be just as eager to let them know that great truth, just as eager as that humble man was in Ayrshire the day before yesterday was pleased to guide us to a humble spot that reminded us of the life and works of Burns. You have testified, we have heard many of you testify, that you know that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, that He and His Father appeared to the Prophet Joseph Smith in person. The most wonderful thing in the world since the Saviour was born and lived and worked among men.

There is nothing like it in the world, and we would like to have everybody else in Scotland know that same truth. How can you do it? Tell your neighbour; invite your neighbour to come to meetings on Sunday More than that, be as eager to radiate that testimony in your daily life as this good man was eager to let us feel the words of Robbie Burns.

If every member of the Church felt the truth about the Gospel, he or she would be willing to lead a group, his neighbour, fellow labourer, even the man in the street, to come and hear the Gospel. That is the responsibility of each individual and you voted today to accept it. These three brethren have said they will accept their assignments, and so have all of you others who will be set apart this afternoon and ordained to certain offices. Let that testimony radiate so that others will be just as thankful for your message, as we are to that unknown person for his guiding us that day.

The best way to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ is in the cottage meeting in groups. It is a good way to send it by letter, conversation, but if you can, just get two or three of them to sit in the house and have one of the Elders or Sisters, two or three of them, sit down and talk of the Gospel in its simplicity—how it was restored, what the Gospel is, and a picture of the organisation of the Church.

Charles Duggan, a National man in the United States of America, was particularly interested in planning cities so that they would not just grow up; he planned intelligently. He spoke about it one day in Ogden to a group of citizens, and it was my privilege next morning, as head of Weber College, to take him down and show him the Davies and

Left: **President McKay arriving at the Glasgow Chapel for his Press Conference. With him are President Bernard P. Brockbank and Dr. Robert McKay, the Prophet's son, who with his wife came with the President to this country for the Stake organisation.** Right: **A study of the Prophet in the Glasgow Chapel.**

Weber County Canal. We hadn't reached the south part of Washington Avenue in Ogden, and we were talking not about the physical features nor the canal features of the city, but about the Church, and we were just passing the First Ward of Ogden, the First Ward in Weber County, and I said, "We are now passing the First Ward. Over here on the other side of the street is the 12th Ward," and so then I explained that in each Ward were priesthood quorums. Every boy 12 years of age is worthy to be in the deacons group, presided over by three members of the group. Twenty-four teachers are in a group presided over by three of the group. If sufficient in number, there will be a quorum of 48 priests; so that every youth in that Ward has a responsibility in the association. In the Melchizedek there will be 96 Elders presided over by three. Seventies, as they are called, are members of the Seventies Quorum, and there are High Priests' Quorums, presided over by three High Priests.

He asked a very peculiar question—the word Ward, I suppose, aroused in his mind a Ward in an institution—because he said, "Tell me, how do you keep those people in the First Ward from going over here to the 12th Ward?" "Why, because each group has its own responsibilities and its interest in that Ward, and besides they are presided over by the Bishopric—three High Priests—and visited by Ward teachers who visit the house of each member.

Above: **President McKay speaking to the 600 missionaries and priesthood holders on the night before the Stake was formed.** Below: **The President talking to members at the airport before flying back to Utah.**

Well, we had reached the Davies and Weber County Canal, and instead of discussing the system of irrigation, Mr. Duggan said: "Mr. McKay, how can we introduce that system in every city in the United States?" I said: "Well, there must be a common interest". "Yes", said Mr. Duggan, "but must that common interest be a religious one?" "I don't know", I said. "It is a religious one here and it works fine". I said, "This is because everyone has a duty to perform as a member of the Church".

A man was recently released as President of a Stake and he said, "Well, now, I am just a lay member". A lay member. He has a wonderful duty, just as a lay member, even if he takes the responsibility of Ward teaching. I sat down the night before I left my home with my son, Lawrence, just to have an evening meal, and pretty soon he excused himself and said, "I'll have to go". Sister McKay said, "Where are you going?" "I am going out Ward teaching, I have to meet the Governor tonight". The Governor of the State was a member of the Ward, and was that evening performing his duty as a Ward teacher. Lawrence is one of the Superintendency of the Sunday School, but there was a duty to perform within the Ward itself.

I would like to say more, but I will just call your attention to the words of the Prophet Joseph in speaking about the various organisations of the Stake and of the Ward, and he concluded, "Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty, and to act in the office in which he is appointed in all diligence.

"He that is slothful shall not be counted worthy to stand and he that learns not his duty and shows himself not approved shall not be counted worthy to stand."

God bless you, my brothers and sisters, for the action you have taken today. God bless you all in what you have done in contributing to the increased membership in Scotland. It thrills my heart to see how many of you have come into the Church just during the last year. Sixty-five years ago, we humble missionaries did not dream when we went through these streets distributing tracts of such a gathering as we have this morning.

God bless you that you may realise your responsibility of membership. Thank God for it and say, as the man in Ayrshire said the other day, just listen and you can feel and hear the promises of the Lord. "Come unto me all ye who are heavy laden and I will give you rest." If you hear that voice say that to you, say it to your neighbours and invite them to your home. Just sit down and ask the Elder or a Sister to come and teach the Gospel. Give them a course of study in a cottage meeting and you will be as happy and blessed ten times more than that good neighbour who was so thrilled to get a chance to quote his favourite poet.

That is the message I give you this morning, the responsibility of membership. May we realise what it is. May we want to bring everybody else into it through every means possible, I pray in the name of Jesus Christ.

Line-up for the Press . . . left to right: President N. Eldon Tanner, West European Mission President; President Archibald Richardson, Glasgow Stake President; President David O. McKay; President Bernard P. Brockbank, Scottish Mission President; and President Marion D. Hanks of the First Council of Seventy and British Mission President.

PRESIDENT N. ELDON TANNER

IT is a privilege and a pleasure, an opportunity and a blessing for us to be here today with our President, a Prophet of the Lord; to meet together and partake of his influence and his spirit. I am sure you all appreciate this opportunity.

If the people of Glasgow knew today, as we know, that we have a Prophet of God in our midst, all the public halls would be required to accommodate those who wanted to see a Prophet of God.

We have that opportunity and that privilege and we have a responsibility, my brothers and sisters, as members of this Church and Kingdom, to let the world know that we have a Prophet of God; to let them know that the Church has been restored in these the latter days; to let them know that we have apostles in this Church—as in the primitive Church—and to help to bring to them the blessings that are gained from membership in this Church, with the Priesthood in our homes, the Priesthood of God, which is also restored in these the latter days.

Let them realise what a great privilege it is to be reared in a family where you have family prayer; where you are close to your Heavenly Father; where each family realises and knows that if they live worthy of it and prepare themselves, they can go to the House of the Lord, the Temple, and there be sealed for time and all eternity; to let them know what it means to keep the Word of Wisdom.

To many of us this seems to be a simple thing. To those who use these things—tea, coffee, liquor and tobacco—it is very difficult to give them up. When they do, they bear testimony, as these brethren did to us yesterday, the day before and today, that it is a great blessing to them to be living clean lives.

They have borne testimony to us as to what prayer means in their homes, what it means to go to the Temple. My brothers and sisters, we cannot place a value on the privilege we have of being members of the Church of Jesus Christ, members of His Kingdom here on the earth.

As we sang that song this morning, "Joseph Smith's First Prayer", I thought of that young boy going into the woods to pray, to find out which Church he should join, feeling that he would get an answer as to which Church he should join; and as he kneeled down there, he knelt down in faith believing that he would get that answer. After the struggle he had with the power of Satan, a light descended and in that light appeared two Beings, one of them spoke and said "Joseph".

A 14-year-old boy kneeling on his knees and one of them said, "Joseph, this is my Beloved Son, hear Him", and he conversed with them and he asked which Church he should join and he was told to join none of them.

There were two things he learned while he was there: one is that God is a person and that Jesus Christ is a person; they are interested in him and us; they hear and answer prayer and instruct us if we will listen. He went out and bore that testimony to the world. He also learned

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Visiting speaker . . . President Selvoy J. Boyer, the British Temple President.

The new Stake President, Brother Archibald Richardson, dedicates himself to service in the Stake.

His dreams fulfilled . . . President Brockbank speaking at the second session of conference.

PRESIDENT SELVOY J. BOYER

PRESIDENT McKAY, in 1946 I went to a Stake Conference in Glasgow, there were seven members there—quite a growth isn't it?

There is no pretence in the Mormon Church. The most tiring thing in this world around the life of an individual is pretence. Not long ago I attended the organisation of a Stake and next morning, Monday morning, I went into a young man's home, I knocked on his door and he didn't answer and so I opened it and went in, I knew he was there. I found him on his knees howling and I said to him, " What's the matter with you? " He had been the Branch President and they had put him on the High Council, they had not made him Bishop—and he was saying, " Father in Heaven what have I done? "

I said " Get off your knees you big ball-baby. What do you think they put you on the High Council for? For a stick of wood? " Now if any of you is disappointed because you weren't put in as Bishop or First Counsellors or Stake President or something else today in Glasgow, thank the Lord, and you support the men and the women that they put in because these officers change and one of these bright days you may hold the same office and how are you going to feel if the man who goes out does not support you.

You be sure, I repeat again that you support the men and the women placed in offices in this Church with all of your heart, might, mind and strength, because God is guiding and directing this Church through David O. McKay and I know it with all of my heart. I feel privileged to shake his hand again. In England he was my Mission President; he has been my ideal. My hair has turned nearly as white as his. I haven't been able to do all of the things I would like to do in my life in following his example, but this I know, that he lives and has a testimony and I will always be grateful. When I was at Conference a year ago, he said—referring to our Father in Heaven and Jesus Christ—" Brothers and sisters their voices are real, their voices are real." To those of you who have just joined this Church and to you who may not yet have joined it who are here today " Know this that every soul is free, To choose his life and what he'll be, But this eternal truth is given, That God will force no man to Heaven. He will lead, guide, persuade direct aright."

And that is what this Church is on this earth for, to help, to lead, guide and direct you down the path of truth and light.

I know that God lives and Jesus is the Christ, the Redeemer of this world, who came in the meridian of time to redeem all mankind, be they one nation or be they another, have they been born before he came or since.

May God bless you all to go out of this service today in this Stake reminded of your duties with a determination to serve him who is full of light, life and eternal bliss and it will bring the greatest joy into your lives that you can participate in anywhere, and I leave this testimony with you in the name of Jesus Christ.

PRESIDENT ROBERT McKAY

IT is a blessing for me to be able to accompany the President on this trip to be a participant in this wonderful gathering and the effecting of a new Stake here in Scotland. There is only one thing missing and that is my mother. She has been by the President's side in all such occasions except a very few. I wish she could be here to enjoy the warm glow that is in his heart at the moment. She brings through us to you her love.

I wish these brethren who have just accepted the responsibility of leadership in this Stake knew what glorious blessings are in store for them and what blessings they will miss if they do not perform their duties.

The question is often asked me, "How does it feel to be the son of the Prophet?" I frequently get the urge to respond, "How does it feel not to be?" I have never known any other life. President McKay was an apostle when I was born. I was here in London and I suppose the British Isles when I was two and three and four, which experience unfortunately I do not remember. All of my life I have been the son of an apostle. I do not feel any differently from the way you feel and that is because President McKay is the same here as he is at home or on the farm or in business or in Church. He is no different as a father as he is as President of the Church. He treats us just as kindly as he treats you. Never undue persuasion, always kindly suggestions; no whippings, just a look through those eyes is whipping enough, and so to answer how does it feel to be the son of a prophet, it feels wonderful.

I am appreciative of the golden moments which I have had at his side. I am grateful for this opportunity to be with him on this trip for this historic occasion. I know how he feels. I know how I feel with forefathers having come from this area. If my great grandfather had not been wise in accepting that message from that missionary I do not know where I should be and so I make this statement that everything I am, my very life I owe to the gospel, to that missionary who presented the gospel message to my great grandparents. So you Elders who are out preaching the gospel, do not teach it only, but teach it well. You may be teaching the gospel to the father or grandfather of the next President of the Church.

May I leave my testimony with you. As a witness, a close associate of the President of the Church and Prophet, may I say that in my associations with him, with the brethren who support him in the Councils, I have never seen any act or heard any word that would lead me to believe or have any reason to disbelieve that he is a Prophet of our Lord and Saviour. This testimony I leave with you in the name of Jesus Christ.

PRESIDENT BERNARD P. BROCKBANK

IT is a great privilege to be here. It is good to see dreams, or inspirations, or desires, start to take effect and to come true. It is good to hear the voices of the singing mothers. It is good to hear your voices and to be in your presence.

I am going to hurry by taking a thought from the scriptures which has been mentioned already today. It is the prayer of a Son to His Father. I think one of the great inspirations of the scriptures was brought out in this beautiful prayer by our Saviour to His Father in Heaven. So simple, so beautiful, but betraying the oneness and the great unity that is needed in the Godhead, and so desired in the family, and the unity that our Father in Heaven would like us to have with Him. I am going to take several parts from this prayer.

We are well acquainted with these scriptures: "And this is Life Eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent". The great purpose of life is to know our Heavenly Father, and to know God, and yet the complications that have come, and the difficulties that man has placed in the hearts and minds of men, making it very hard for many of them to come to an understanding of their Father. If it is the great purpose of life, to know God, then we should spend a lot of time in that effort.

We arrive at a common premise with almost all religions; that there *is* a God, there *is* a purpose for man, that our Father in Heaven has given us directive, and it is in the understanding of the directives where we have our separation and difficulties.

I am going to turn to one quickly. This is one we quote very often. In this direction, which our Father in Heaven wished to give us, He gives us a description of Himself. I do not particularly like the word "description", but I am going to use it because it is the best one I know to use. Our Father in Heaven has given us a description so that we can arrive at this knowledge, and you know, we carry that description with us all the time. We cannot get away from it! And here is the great description man has so frustrated and changed, but in its pure form it is just as simple and pure as it can be. "And God said, Let us make man in our image . . . so God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them". You just carry that description with you.

How would we expect our Father in Heaven's children to look? And yet the great complications that man has mystified the purpose of Life to know God and the Saviour, and have actually turned the hearts of most of God's children away from the truth. And even today you can read in the papers that the truth—if it is back on Earth—as found in the scriptures makes heretics out of those who accept them.

Deviate from the course? I should say we do deviate from the course of an unknown God.

GLASGOW STA

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Springburn: Charles Smith, 2nd Counsellor; Arthur F. Herbertson, Bishop; James Greer, 1st Counsellor.

Glasgow Ward: David Wilde, 1st Counsellor; Alexander Cumming, Bishop; Nadeson Permudal, Clerk; Roderick Ross, 2nd Counsellor.

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PRESIDENT A. RAY CURTIS

IT IS a thrill for me, as it is for you, to be here today in the company of our beloved Prophet and President, David O. McKay. During the night after having shaken his hand, I found it hard to sleep; I seemed to re-count the many wonderful things that have happened in my life that have been influenced by this wonderful man.

President McKay has been an inspiration in the things that he has said and done by precept and by example. Most of my mature years, President McKay has either been President of the Church or in the presiding Councils of the Church.

Wonderful things are happening in this day and age of the Church. Eighteen months ago—according to President Brockbank—there were about 1,400 members of the Church in all of Scotland. Today there are 11,000, 18 months later.

At home in Salt Lake City my father, who is 91 years of age, is partaking of the spirit of this occasion. It has been 83 years now, President McKay, since a missionary whose name I do not know carried the Gospel to my father s mother and her little family. When his mother boarded the ship she had two little boys and a girl, but their father went aboard the ship and took one of the little boys off. His name was James, we do not know whatever happened to him, I cannot help but wonder what might have been my lot had it been my father who had been taken off the ship instead of his brother James.

I would just like to tell you today how grateful I am to be a member of this Church. I am grateful that the Lord has given me the strength and the health, the time and the means and most of all the great privilege of coming to this country and to leave my testimony with you and the other wonderful people who are coming into the Church.

The Gospel is true, it is but for us to adhere to the wonderful principles and blessings of the Gospel that will permit us to enjoy the fullness thereof. May I close by reading a scripture that I think is one of my fondest and which I think President McKay exemplifies in his life and his teachings. I remember as a youth so many times, his declarations of mastering ourselves and becoming the master of ourselves. This is found in the 121st Section of the *Doctrine and Covenants*, the 45th verse and it says this "Let thy bowels also be full of charity towards all men, and to the household of faith, and let virtue garnish thy thoughts unceasingly; then shall thy confidence wax strong in the presence of God; and the doctrine of the priesthood shall distil upon thy soul as the dews from heaven."

You who have been called today will feel the great influence and power of the Priesthood distil upon you as you undertake the responsibilities that have been placed upon you today and this scripture concludes:

"The Holy Ghost shall be thy constant companion, and thy sceptre an unchanging sceptre of righteousness and truth; and hy dominion shall be an everlasting dominion, and without compulsory means it shall flow unto thee for ever and ever."

PRESIDENT MARION D. HANKS

IT is about 100 years ago that my grandmother, then a very young married person with a little family heard the Gospel at a street meeting at a corner in Glasgow and shortly thereafter, following some difficulties with her family because of it, departed these shores for the United States and there established her family and blessed us with the great privilege of life in the gospel, life in the Church, a privilege for which I have been most grateful all of the days of my life.

When I came here to this wonderful hall a few months ago and saw several thousand wonderful people, many of them not members of the Church, many new members, my heart responded to what her wonderful old heart always reflected, her love of Scotland and although she lost a little of her vernacular she never could lose the burr and never ceased to talk about the days of her youth, and so I am happy to be here and grateful to have come from so sweet and sincere and spiritually stable individual as that great old soul who lived into her 95th year. She used to take off her glasses to read and to mend my overalls and I always got the feeling that grandmother was closer to the Lord than anybody I had ever known.

It is a great experience to be here these few days and work with President Tanner in interviewing many of the fine brethren of this Stake. I rejoice in the comradeship and association I feel with the citizens of this great land and the Kingdom of God. I want to pay tribute to these men who are selected as your Stake Presidency. I would be happy to walk with them in any righteous path in this world: I am proud of them.

President Marion D. Hanks recalls his Glasgow heritage.

I have a simple message I would like to tell today out of the convictions of my soul. I thought about it repeatedly as we interviewed these men, so different, yet bound together and brought in by the community of our faith and desires. This is a vast congregation and there are many thousands in Scotland and yet everyone of us who comes to God must give of his own. The prayers that really move us, though others may pray for us and do, must come out of our own souls. The convictions that come to our hearts come because we want them and will seek them and merit the Spirit of the Lord that will convey them convincingly to our hearts.

I pray for you, for myself and all others blessed with the capacity to think and examine, that as we think and examine we may be brought to realise that the soul's invincible surmise, this eternal faith that really lights men's paths. These are the gifts of God. They come to Him who earnestly desire, who will do all that one can do to have faith and I think this means much more than saying " Lord I believe ". To worry and consider, to think and meditate and shed tears about the Gospel. I know what it means, but I want to tell you that it is the correct answer of the heart to have faith.

It is not wisdom to be wise in a worldly sense, but it is wisdom to believe the heart and I know that the hearts of those who pledge membership in this Church and have the faith and humility to go down into the waters of baptism, if they are properly taught and if they respond sincerely, are touched with the inner vision which comes from God. We need to have faith, faith in the true and living God, in the Holy Messiah.

I had, what to me, was a tragic experience once. I knew a man of another persuasion religiously whom I learned to love very well. We were under war conditions and men sometimes gravitate to each other for warmth. Well, a particular condition of our friendship had brought us a close warmth and though he was of one persuasion and I had my unalterable convictions we lived together in love. I really loved him and he loved me so that when we separated from each other and he wrote me a note saying after some expressions of warmth and friendship, " I probably will never be a Mormon," and listed his reasons, my heart wept. He said he could not be a member of this Church because we have an " Inadequate Christology," but it meant something that everybody understands it meant, " You do not give enough emphasis to Christ " and this made me weep because this is not true: no one on the face of the earth who bears the name Christian could possibly give more credence and love and faithful adherence to the teachings of the Master than a Latter-day Saint can, who knows his religion. Do you remember the words of Lehi? Quoted in the 2nd chapter of 2nd Nephi. He had borne his strong witness to the Messiah and then he said:

" Wherefore, how great the importance to make these things known unto the inhabitants of the earth, that they may know that there is no flesh that can dwell in the presence of God, save it be through the merits and mercy, and grace of the Holy Messiah, who layeth down his life according to the flesh, and taketh it again by the power of the Spirit."

I have borne my witness to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ whenever I can. I want to tell you that I do know that he is the author, the great mediator, the Messiah, the One who brings about the opportunity for our salvation and exaltation if we have faith and we repent and we are baptised in His name and receive the gift of the Holy Ghost and then walk after Him in His light and according to his precepts. He is our Saviour. This is where faith begins in God the Eternal Father and in His Son, Jesus Christ.

There is one other word I would add. Some of those who we interviewed must with everyone else in this room thank God for the gift and blessing of forgiveness. Thank Him for the wonderful principle of repentance which brings about forgiveness. We know how much we need this don't we? Do we not know how much we need to be forgiven on condition of humble repentance for the mistakes of our lives?

I have had a great and wonderful blessing in my lifetime to know many marvellous people and also to know some who had made wrong choices and I say to you that God loves all of his children. I would say in earnest admonition that he expects of us more than an acknowledgment of our sins. May I give this message particularly to the young but all of us need it, some of us repent and never reform, that is we say we repent. There was a man who said that when we repent without reforming we are like a person driving along a rocky road who stops and starts but never turns around. Thank the Lord for faith and repentance.

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President Tanner (cont.)

that the teachings in the Churches were man-made and were not acceptable. As he bore that testimony. as he went from place to place—though only a 14-year-old boy—he was ridiculed and he was persecuted, but he remained true to the faith.

And I would like to say to you young people sitting in the audience, from that time when he was not yet 15 years of age for three years plus, he was left alone—he had no Sunday School to go to; he had no Mutual to attend; he had no Sacrament to go to; he had no minister, no priest, no anybody except his family who would listen to him, and he was left in that situation from the time he was 14 years of age until he was about 18. I think of the struggle that young man must have had facing all the opposition in the world.

If some of us think that we have difficulties, oppositions that are too great for us, let us think of that young boy going about by himself until the Lord saw fit to allow him to have another vision, in which the Angel Moroni appeared to him and told him that he had been chosen and that he was to mandate the Book of Mormon—the record of the ancient inhabitants of the American Continent and of God's dealings with them. He showed him where they were, in a vision three times that night. He showed him and then he was taken there to that hill and shown those plates four years in succession on the same date.

Brothers and sisters, this cannot be a figment of the imagination; this young man saw God, the Eternal Father and His Son, Jesus Christ, and he saw the Angel Moroni and he saw those plates, and when he was given the plates by the power of God, he was able to translate them and they became the *Book of Mormon*, which is the Gospel in its fullness. How fortunate we are to have that and to know that.

And then think how he was called to organise the Church. Imagine this young man—with no pattern in the world—with five others getting together and organising this Church under the direction of our Heavenly Father. He received direct revelation while the Church was being organised and he was told that he would be and was a Prophet and he was at the head of the Church. He was told to choose apostles and told how the Priesthood was to be set up, how the whole organisation was to function.

Brothers and sisters, isn't that a testimony to you? He started out 132 years ago with six members and now we have nearly 2 million people.

I want to bear you my testimony, my brothers and sisters, that these things that I have said, the things that these missionaries are teaching, the things that have brought you into the Gospel are true.

May we be a part of that great movement, may we be worthy of the blessings we receive, worthy of the Priesthood in our homes, the opportunities that this affords, and take advantage of them that others seeing our good works may be led to our Father in Heaven, and when we have finished our work, it may be said of us, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant". It is my prayer for all of us in the name of Jesus Christ.

THE PROPHET'S CLOSING ADDRESS

ONE of our great writers in America said, "There is one God-like virtue in this world the essence of whatever is, or God-like is appreciation of human worth as shown by the hearts of men" and my heart is full to that virtue at this moment: appreciation of the knowledge that God is our Father, that He has restored the Gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Saviour of Men, and that that Gospel has been preached in accordance with His command to teach all nations all things, baptising them in the name of the Father of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever He has commanded them with the promise that He is with us to the end of our lives. I appreciate the restoration to the Prophet Joseph, that the Priesthood was restored, giving men the authority to represent the Lord: that is a wonderful thing, a sacred thing. I am glad that in obedience to that command the Gospel was preached in Great Britain. Over 100 years ago, two humble Elders, rightly commissioned, authoritively commissioned, reached my grandfather in the north of Scotland and another reached my maternal grandmother in South Wales. If it had not been for that occurrence, that occasion, I might never have been born, and so I am grateful for my father and my mother and the land in which they were born. I am grateful that they met, the one born in Scotland, the other in Wales: they never would have met if it had not been for the Gospel.

I am grateful for respect of true womanhood that is exemplified by these lovely women who have furnished this music this day and for the mothers, our mothers who typify what true womanhood is, and I pay tribute to my mother in the words of the prince in the great English poem when the father of the prince ridiculed the ideals, and the prince, in referring to his mother, said, "She of whom you speak, my mother, she was true and whole to some creation minted in golden mood of sovereign August, not a thought, a touch as seems as pure, as whole as the first white of the snowdrop's inner leaves". Analyse that picture and see what a tribute it is. Girls, this kind of womanhood the Gospel teaches you to preserve. Be worthy of the womanhood that may be yours in righteousness.

I am grateful to be with you again and associate with you, grateful for these men, associates of the Twelve, who with President Brockbank of the Scottish Mission have worked so faithfully and diligently and prayerfully in bringing about this Stake organisation and the Ward organisation in this Stake. They will just have to accept the word "Thank you" for all that they have done; grateful for the devotion of President and Sister Brockbank in bringing about, with the assistance and the aid of over 300 missionaries, the great renaissance that has occurred here in Glasgow over the last year.

One of the men who flew round the world representing the atheistic Government made a remark that he looked through space to the world beneath but he did not see God. No, he was not looking for Him: he could not find Him.

Farewell to Glasgow and Scotland . . . President McKay turns to say goodbye as he and his son, Dr. Robert McKay, climb aboard their plane for London.

I thought when I read that in the newspaper how wonderful the heavens, the creations seemed to the Prophet Joseph who had found God and one who had joined the Church early in the beginning expressed Joseph Smith's idea of the universe. An unschooled boy except only for the inspiration that came from Heaven. We have been singing it ever since we were boys :

" If you could hie to Kolob, In the twinkling of an eye, And then continue onward, With that same speed to fly, D'ye think that you could ever, Through all eternity, Find out the generation Where Gods began to be.

" Or see the grand beginning, Where space did not extend? Or view the last creation, Where Gods and matter end? Me thinks the Spirit whispers, ' No man has found " pure space " ', Nor seen the outside curtains, Where nothing has a place ".

I am grateful for the revelations given to that young Prophet through the restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I am grateful that my mother taught me to pray when father was away on his mission in Scotland, and she was there with a little babe born just 10 days after father said goodbye to his children in the old country town. He left on the 19th April, and on the 29th April a little baby girl was born, and the children under the care of that noble woman were taught that father over here in Scotland was doing God's work and that mother and the children would be protected by Omnipotence through the care and welfare of members of the Priesthood and her participation in the Ward Relief Society.

Let us all express gratitude for our blessings which each one has, and above all the blessing of the testimony that God lives and that Jesus is the Christ, that He stands at the head of this work, that He has authorised men to represent Him in the various callings and that they are now fulfilling His command to His apostles, " Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature ". " He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved. He that believeth not shall be damned ".

Thank you my beloved brethren and sisters. Thank you motherhood and fellow workers in the Gospel, in the Church. Thank all the thousands of missionaries who go abroad to declare the word of the Lord, that the Gospel is restored in its fullness so that every human soul alive or in the spirit world may have the opportunity to have faith in God, have repentance and be baptised either in person or by proxy and receive the guidance of the Holy Ghost. That means something that no other Church accepts nor believes in, nor comprehends: to be baptised, buried with Christ in baptism. There are only three elements in which that could be done : the air, which is native to us, the earth, which is the separate place for the body, or the element of water, so it proves that at that baptism, when Christ meant baptism, you are buried with all your weaknesses, jealousies and uncontrollable temper. You are buried with Him. You buy the old man and come forth anew in the newness of life walking in the spirit as Christ lived in the spirit. I would like to emphasise that meaning. Yet before that event we were drinking, profaning, speaking disrespectfully to the wife or child, calling and taking the name of the Lord in vain : that should be controlled. Walk in a newness of life. Bury the old habits, bury the old tendency of speaking harshly to the wife, being cruel to her, remembering whenever it comes that boys flying kites haul in their white-winged birds. You cannot do that when you are flying words. Thoughts are expressed, for God Himself cannot kill them when they are said.

The Gospel gives us a chance to live above the old world and all temptations and, through self control and mastery, live in the spirit and that is a rich life here and hereafter. My heart is too full to express my appreciation for this Conference, those who attended it. Thank you for your expressions of kindness and goodwill.

Goodbye. God bless you in your individual life, in your home life and in your Church activities and give you the comfort that comes to every soul who loses himself for Christ's sake, I pray in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

President McKay speaking at the second session of conference in St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow.

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NO SMOKING

NEWS FROM STAKES AND MISSIONS

"AMERICANS Swamp North Athletes" . . . this was the headline in the *Newcastle Sunday Sun* following the visit of the Brigham Young University Track Team to Newcastle for a triangular Tyne-Tees-U.S.A. meeting.

The B.Y.U. team, together with their coach, Brother Robinson, and Elder Rodney Kimball, were met by President Grant S. Thorn, Sister Thorn and the Mission Office staff on their arrival at Manchester Airport.

They then journeyed to Sunderland where they were guests at a Buffet Supper. The Mayor of Sunderland, Alderman R. T. Weston, was also present, as were Mr. N. H. Woodcock and Mr. W. Y. Dewing, the chairman and secretary of the City and County of Newcastle Athletic Club.

On the Saturday a huge crowd, including all the missionaries in the North British Mission, gathered at the University Sports Ground for the meeting. There were 120 athletes competing from Newcastle, North Yorks and South Durham, and, of course, the B.Y.U.

The *Sunday Sun* reported the next day . . . "the twenty-five strong team from the Far West showed their immense fitness and all-round superiority . . . their domination was complete in the field events, in which they dropped only one point."

The *Newcastle Journal* reported that All-comers' Records for Tyneside were broken in nine events.

The meeting was televised and shown in the "Cue for Sport" programme on Tyne/Tees Channel on the following Wednesday.

President and Sister Coombs, of the South-West British Mission, with two of their sons, David and Steven. Their story of 25 years of missionary service was printed in last month's "Millennial Star."

For the sports fans . . . the results:

Long Jump: K. Nance (B.Y.U.), 23 ft. 7 in.

100 yards: Newcastle, 9.9 secs.; B.Y.U., 10.2 secs.

Javelin: Terry Thatcher (B.Y.U.), 224 ft. 8 in.

880 yards: Dean Lundell (B.Y.U.), 1 min. 46 secs.

220 yards: L. Kelly (B.Y.U.), 21.9 secs.

440 yards: B. Tobler (B.Y.U.), 48.4 secs.

120 yards hurdles: E. Hastings (B.Y.U.), 14.6 secs.

One mile: K. Maughan (Tees), 4 min. 20.5 secs.; R. Smith (B.Y.U.), second.

Discus: R. Mickle (B.Y.U.), 177 ft.

4 x 100 yards relay: B.Y.U., 42.8 secs.

Of the thirteen events in which they took part, B.Y.U. were bettered in only two, and the final result was B.Y.U. 71 points, Teeside 30, Newcastle 16.

After the meeting, Mr. Woodcock presented an engraved plaque to Coach Robinson in commemmoration of their visit to Newcastle and their brilliant sportsmanship in the field.

The visit concluded with an informal meeting in the Thorney Close Secondary School, conducted by President Clyde C. Pearce. Speakers were Coach Robinson, Dr. Rodney Kimball, President F. W. Oates, and two Mission Presidents, President Grant S. Thorn and President Bernard P. Brockbank, of the Scottish Mission.

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LEICESTER STAKE

AT a special Conference held in Birmingham on July 22, President Nathan E. Tanner, an Assistant to the Twelve, reorganised the Birmingham Ward Bishopric and created two new independent branches.

The new Birmingham Ward Bishop is Brother Walter Green, a man of wide experience in the Church. His Counsellors are Elders David Mace, formerly a Stake Missionary and Dependent Branch President, and Lesley L. Megeney, formerly Stake YMMIA Superintendent.

The two new Branches are at Sheldon and Kings Heath, each divisions of the City of Birmingham, Bishop Philip Dixon, released from his calling as Birmingham Ward Bishop, is the new President of the Sheldon Branch, with Elders John B. Chapman and Gerald Shaw as his counsellors. Brother James Such, who was First Counsellor in the old Birmingham Ward Bishopric, is now the first President of the King's Heath Branch, with Elders Wilfred R. Horton and Wilfred G. Hipkins as his Counsellors.

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Members of the Coventry Ward held a Funfare on August 11. It was well attended and the prizes soon ran out

on all the stalls including the White Elephant Stall. The Fair was declared closed when the last goldfish was claimed by the member running that stall.

Later that same evening the members held a Ball for the Tramps of the Ward. So good were the disguises that when the organiser, the MIA Superintendent arrived, no one recognised him and he was almost ejected from the Hall. He and Sister Sandra Willden were acclaimed the best tramps in Coventry.

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The Leicester Stake Presidency regret to announce the death of Sister Jill Stone, aged 17, of the Derby Ward. Sister Stone was baptised on July 21 this year. She had suffered from chronic asthma since childhood.

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Sister Alderton, of the Garden Grove Stake, California, is visiting the Coventry Ward. She is appearing on Midland Montage on television as a member of a discussion group. Sister Alderton owns a string of dance academies in California.

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On August 15th fifteen members of the Derby Ward MIA spent the evening walking on Dovedale. Two days later they all attended an MIA camp at Snake Pass.

MANCHESTER STAKE

THE following letter was sent to President Henry D. Moyle by Elder John Vernon, a High Councilman in the Manchester Stake:

"I feel duty bound that I should let you know this story—or should I say wonderful blessing. Two of our humble missionaries went to a place called Helmshore, about seven miles from Rawtenstall, and asked a young boy in the street if he would like a game of baseball. The boy told his mother —and she advised him to have nothing to do with them.

"Well, Brother Moyle, you know our missionaries . . . Yes, off they went to see the mother. What happened? The mother was baptised, then her daughter and two sons. The father held out for a short while, then he was baptised.

"They told their friends of the wonderful Gospel, and the love and friendship found in the branch here. Now 25 people—men, women and children—have been baptised and are attending the Rawtenstall Branch from Helmshore. Words fail to express our gratitude to our missionaries for all they do for us—we love them, and we would like their loved ones to know that their efforts to keep them in the mission field are well rewarded.

"May I add that as these new converts grow in the Gospel and adapt themselves to Church procedure, I have no doubt a branch will be opened in Helmshore, although they do not want to leave Rawtenstall."

LONDON STAKE

AT the Fast and Testimony meeting on September 2, President Joseph B. Darling, the Stake President, reorganised the Bishopric of the South London Ward. This was due to the release after many years of Bishop Terence Greenwood, who, with his wife Mary and daughter Marilyn, has emigrated to Salt Lake City. Their son, Roger, will join them in America when he has completed his tour of duty as a Labour Missionary.

The new Bishop of the South London Ward is Brother Walter Chiles, formerly of the London Stake High Council. He was set apart by President Nathan E. Tanner, the West European Mission President and an Assistant to the Twelve. Bishop Chiles's counsellors are Brother R. D. Boulton and Brother W. Stevenson, who was the Stake Sunday School Superintendent.

SOUTH-WEST BRITISH MISSION

THREE hundred members and investigators gathered at the Hartcliffe Secondary Modern School in Bristol on August 18, for the South-

Up, over and across the finishing line . . . three action pictures taken during the athletic meeting between the Brigham Young University Track Team and athletes from Newcastle, North Yorks and South Durham.

The winning tramps at a Tramp Supper organised by the Coventry Ward . . . Brother John Ecclestone, the MIA Superintendent, and Sister Sandra Willden.

West British Mission's first mission-wide sports day. Participants from throughout the entire mission, representing each of the four districts, competed in twenty-eight different fields of competition. The events included volleyball, softball, football, tug o' war, netball, relays and running.

Although District competition was keen, Bristol just edged out Reading for first place. Later in the evening the Mission President, President A. Ray Curtis, presented the day's winners with medals, and a plaque was given to the winning District.

The day's events were under the direction of Brother and Sister Jack Gillett, MIA Mission Board members.

NORWICH DISTRICT

THE Norwich Branch retained the District MIA Summer Festival sports shield, in spite of having the smallest team in the field. Two members of the Norwich Branch team, Dave Ellis, a labour missionary from St. Albans, and Sister Margaret Wilson were first and second respectively in the individual placing. The Norwich score of 148 was almost twice that of their nearest rivals.

HULL DISTRICT

SCARBOROUGH Branch went to Cayton Bay for their Sunday School outing, on which 34 children and seven adults were catered for. Games were played on the beach, and the whole event was under the direction of the Sunday School Superintendent, Brother Trevor Staniforth, and the Sunday School Officers.

ENGAGEMENT: The Sheffield Ward have pleasure in announcing two engagements within their Ward—that of Jean Cottage, eldest daughter of the Brother and Sister Cottage, to Brother Eric Fenton, of the Dewsbury Ward; and of Marjorie Sanderson to Elder John Robson, who is at present serving on a labour mission in Leeds.

IRISH MISSION

THE Irish District MIA went on an outing to Cloughey, Co. Down, recently, and all branches had a chance to compete for the new Irish District Sports Cup. It was won by the Portadown Branch, and the Branch President received the cup from President Stephen R. Covey, the Irish Mission President. Next year it is planned to hold an Arts Competition in conjunction with the sports events.

President Stephen R. Covey, Irish Mission President, presenting the Sports Cup to the Portadown Branch President.

Action pictures from the Irish District MIA sports competition at Cloughey, Co. Down.

they might gain a knowledge for themselves, by the power of the Holy Ghost, that the things which they teach are true.

These young missionaries consider it a great privilege, honour and blessing to be called as ambassadors of the Lord to take this message to the world. They believe, implicitly, in the words of the Lord:

> "Behold, I say unto you, the thing which will be of most worth unto you will be to declare repentance unto this people, that you may bring souls unto me, that you may rest with them in the Kingdom of my Father."

What a privilege it is to meet with these missionaries, to hear them bear their solemn testimonies, to tell of their experiences, to see their dedication and devotion, and to hear them thank their Father in Heaven for the privilege of being in this great work.

Their joy is great as they see converts accept the Gospel plan and become members of the Church and Kingdom of God.

As a result of these humble, dedicated missionaries taking this message of truth, the Plan of Life and Salvation to the world, about ten people per missionary per year accept the Gospel and join the Church, which means that the twelve thousand young men and women throughout the world will baptise over one hundred thousand people during the year.

Following his mission, the missionary returns home with a knowledge of the scriptures and a greater understanding of the purposes of life. He has a strong testimony of the Gospel and many will have learned a new language and have become acquainted with the customs and mode of life of people in the country in which he has laboured. He has learned to work, to discipline himself, to take responsibility and be dependable under all circumstances. He has developed leadership, ability, and love for his fellowmen.

The strength and influence of these returning missionaries will be felt by their families, their church and their community. No greater force for peace and goodwill could be mustered in the world than to have the young people throughout the world join with this Army of the Priesthood in living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

A result of the fine work of these young missionaries was evidenced in Glasgow on August 26th when the first Stake of Zion was organised in Scotland, with a membership of more than 2,000 Saints. This followed 18 months of intensive proselyting, for when the Scottish Mission was formed there were less than 2,300 saints in the whole of Scotland.

It was surely fitting that the climax to this wonderful labour should be the personal visit of the Prophet David O. McKay to Glasgow for the Stake organisation.

MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES

Central British Mission

ARRIVALS:

August 29, 1962

Jimmy D. Reed, from Chandler, Arizona, to Northampton.
David Vandehei, from Brigham City, Utah, to Northampton.
Raleigh Curtis, from Burley, Idaho, to Wales.
Donald Willis, from Salt Lake City, Utah, to Norwich.
Delon Madsen, from Honeyville, Utah, to Boston.
Gerald Evans, from Reading, California, to Kidderminster.

RELEASES:

August 16, 1962

K. Nelson Allen, from Thatcher, Arizona. Districts laboured: Hyde Park, Potteries, Chester, Norwich, Mission Home, Newport, Merthyr-Tydfil. (Travelling Elder.)

August 21, 1962

William E. Hoggan, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured: Nottingham, Leicester, West Wales, Newcastle, Coventry. (Supervising Elder Newcastle District, Supervising Elder Coventry District.)

Jerry K. Smith, from Manassa, Colorado. Districts laboured: Ipswich, West Wales, Chester, Wolverhampton, Mission Home, Wales. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Wales District.)

August 23, 1962

Gerald B. Felix, from Logan, Utah. Districts laboured: Ipswich, Mission Home, North Birmingham, Mission Home. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of North Birmingham District, Special Assistant to the President.)
William J. Kotter, from Brigham City, Utah. Districts laboured: Wales, West Wales, Sherwood, Chester.
Olive Kotter, from Brigham City, Utah. Districts laboured: Wales, West Wales, Sherwood, Chester.

August 3, 1962

Ronald B. Pickering, from Bountiful, Utah. Districts laboured: Birmingham, Mission Home, Nottingham, Mission Home, Norwich-Ipswich, Mission Home.

Scottish Mission

August 28, 1962

Jerald Vern Harrop, from Ogden, Utah, to Easterhouse.
Ann Heitz, from Ogden, Utah, to Clydebank.
Larry David Lilly, from Provo, Utah, to Paisley.
George William Middleton, from Salt Lake City, Utah, to Paisley.
Terrance Dunning Olson, from Albuquerque, New Mexico, to Central Glasgow.
Leslie Charles Peterson, from Ogden, Utah, to Hamilton.
Brian Chipman Record, from Salt Lake City, Utah, to Falkirk.
Bruce Ray Smith, from Salt Lake City, Utah, to Drumchapel.
Nancy Ann Smith, from Provo, Utah, to Ayr.
Richard Melvin Smith, from Kaysville, Utah, to Fraserburgh.
Neil Thomas Snow, from Royal Oak, Michigan, to Aberdeen South.
Victor Burnell Watson, from Temple, Texas, to Drumchapel.

September 13, 1962

Roger William Horrocks, from Pocatello, Idaho. Districts laboured: Liverpool, North Glasgow, Stirling, Ayr, Hamilton, North Scotland, East Kilbride, Castlemilk, Rutherglen. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of East Kilbride, Castlemilk and Rutherglen, Assistant to the Mission President.)

September 20, 1962

MacRay C. Brown, from Ogden, Utah. Districts laboured Sheffield, Kirkcaldy, East Edinburgh, Central Glasgow, North Glasgow, Dumbarton, Clydebank. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Dumbarton and Clydebank.)

Morgan Lafount Richards, from Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Districts laboured : Preston, Burnley, Belfast, North Scotland, East Glasgow. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of East Glasgow, Assistant to the Mission President.)

September 27, 1962

Ferril L. Barney, from Hatch, Utah. Districts laboured : Bradford, Stirling, Paisley, Clyde, Easterhouse, Fraserburgh. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Easterhouse and Fraserburgh.)

David Banson Brinton IV, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured Preston, Burnley, Belfast, Paisley, Ayr, Drumchapel, Knightswood (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Ayr, Drumchapel and Knightswood, Assistant to the Mission President.)

Louis David Curtis, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured : South Scotland, South Glasgow, Kirkcaldy, Mission Office, Central Glasgow. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Central Glasgow, Assistant to the Mission President.)

Reed Charles Rasmussen, from Gunnison, Utah. Districts laboured : Grimsby, Paisley, Stirling, Mission Office, West Edinburgh, Aberdeen North (Supervising Elder Aberdeen North.)

John Elmo Richardson, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured : North Manchester, West Edinburgh, North Glasgow, North Scotland, Motherwell, Dumbarton. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of North Scotland, Motherwell and Dumbarton, Assistant to the Mission President.)

Richard Rex Schwendiman, from Idaho Falls, Idaho. Districts laboured : Liverpool, North Scotland, South Scotland, Dumfries. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of South Scotland and Dumfries, Assistant to the Mission President.)

September 29, 1962

Murrell Kay Johnson, from Rupert, Idaho. Districts laboured : Edinburgh, Dundee, Hamilton, North Scotland, Mission Office. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of South Scotland.)

October 4, 1962

Kenneth Joe Murdock, from Beaver, Utah. Districts laboured : Edinburgh, Airdrie, Easterhouse, Aberdeen South. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder, Aberdeen South, Assistant to the Mission President.)

October 5, 1962

Milo Wright, from Moses Lake, Washington. Districts laboured : Belfast, North Glasgow, Paisley, North Scotland, Knightswood, West Edinburgh, Clyde, Hamilton. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Hamilton.) the Mission President.)

October 19, 1962

Don George Campbell, from Sandy, Utah. Districts laboured : Edinburgh, North Glasgow, Isle of Man, Paisley, South Glasgow, North Scotland, Kirkcaldy, Clyde (Supervising Elder of Clyde.)

Lorin Kent Pugh, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured : North Manchester, East Edinburgh, North Belfast, Dundee West. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Dundee West, Assistant to the Mission President.)

October 25, 1962

Richard Bruce Davidson, from Alhambra, California. Districts laboured : North Scotland, Edinburgh, Kirkcaldy, Aberdeen, Clyde, Fraserburgh, Dumbarton. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Clyde, Fraserburgh and Dumbarton.)

William Russell McCracken, from Fremont, California. Districts laboured : North Scotland, Airdrie, East Edinburgh, Central Edinburgh. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of East Edinburgh and Central Edinburgh.)

October 26, 1962

Bernard Frederick Austin, from Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire. Districts laboured : North Manchester, Newcastle, Londonderry, East Kilbride, Dundee East. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Dundee East, Assistant to the Mission President.)

September 13, 1962

Richard B. Teerlink, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured: Central Glasgow, North Aberdeen, Bradford, Liverpool. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of North Aberdeen and Central Glasgow, Assistant to the Mission President.)

September 14, 1962

Rita J. McGregor, from South Gate, California. Districts laboured : Londonderry, South Glasgow, Dundee West, Mission Office, Rutherglen, Dumbarton, Kirkcaldy, Falkirk.

North British Mission

ARRIVALS :

August 7, 1962

Marilyn F. Boren from Manchester, England, to Hull.

E. Ann Jones, from Scunthorpe, Lincs, to Sunniside

August 22, 1962

Marion Kay Bybee, from Idaho Falls, Idaho, to St. Helen's.

Melvin D. Cheney, from Thornton, Idaho, to Macclesfield.

Edwin B. Marshall, from Chino, California, to Burnley.

J. Wallace Roseborough, from Idaho Falls, Idaho, to Liverpool

Robert L. Day, from American Fork, Utah, to South Manchester.

RELEASES :

August 23, 1962

Linda Thorn, from Springville, Utah. Districts laboured : Sunderland and Hull Districts, Mission Office (Publications.)

October 19, 1962

Blaine Hendrickson, from Provo, Utah. Districts laboured : Grimsby, South Manchester, Burnley, Sunderland, Bradford, Newcastle, Preston, and Supervising Elder of Preston District.

J. Terral Jensen, from Malad, Idaho. Districts laboured : Preston, Burnley, Grimsby, Lake. Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Leeds District, Supervising Elder of Liverpool District, Supervising Elder of Lake District, St. Helen's, Supervising Elder of Macclesfield District

October 25, 1962

Paul Jones Boyack, from Price, Utah. Districts laboured : South Manchester, Leeds, Preston, Blackburn, Travelling Elder, Shields, Supervising Elder of Burnley District, Zone II Counsellor.

Irish Mission

ARRIVALS :

August 29, 1962

Drew F. Bolander, from Salt Lake City, Utah, to South Belfast.

David J. Brown, from Los Angeles, California, to South Belfast.

Dennis J. Longman, from Salt Lake City, Utah, to Central Belfast.

Michael F. McNally, from Ogden, Utah, to Lisburn-Portadown.

Russell S. Marriott, Jr. from Kensington, Maryland, to Central Belfast.

James F. Minster, from Ogden, Utah, to Central Belfast.

Lynn C. Sessions, from Bountiful, Utah, to North Belfast.

RELEASES :

October 24, 1962

William R. Decker, from Glendale, California. Districts laboured : North Scotland, Edinburgh, Kircaldy, North Belfast, Central Glasgow, Central Belfast, Mission Home. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder, Zone Counsellor.)

David T. Worlton, from Lehi, Utah. Districts laboured : Belfast, Selkirk, Hamilton, South Scotland, Londonderry, Dublin, Mission Office, South Belfast. (Travelling Elder. Supervising Elder.)

William R. Swinyard, from Skokie, Illinois. Districts laboured : Durham, North Glasgow, Kirkcaldy, Mission Home, Londonderry. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder.)

South-West British Mission

RELEASES :

September 7, 1962

Ronald Olsen, from Ogden, Utah. Districts laboured : Temple, South London, South Coastal. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of South Coastal District, Assistant to President.

David S. Miller, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured: Plymouth, North London, South Coastal, Bristol. (Travelling Elder.)

September 8, 1962

David Dickerson, from Logan, Utah. Districts laboured : South Coastal, Central London, Bromley. (Supervising Elder of Royal Windsor.)

September 11, 1962

Warren Call, from Afton, Wyoming. Districts laboured : South Coastal, Rochester, Oxford (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Oxford.)

September 14, 1962

Douglas M. Schaerrer, from Provo, Utah. Districts laboured : Norwich, Croydon, South Coastal. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder, Zone Counsellor.)

September 7, 1962

Timothy Thomas, from Salt Lake City, Utah. Districts laboured : South Coastal, Temple, Central London. (Travelling Elder, Supervising Elder of Plymouth, Mission Secretary.)

September 19, 1962

Noel Luke, from Twin Falls, Idaho. Districts laboured : Bristol, West London, Essex, Guildford.

September 27, 1962

Melvin Wilkey, from Nephi, Utah. Districts laboured : Croydon, Temple, Southampton.

A GREAT man once called one of his workmen to him and said " Go into the far country and build a house for me. The decisions of planning and of the actual construction will be yours. But remember this, I shall come to accept your workmanship before giving the house to a special friend of mine."

And so the workman departed with a light heart for his field of labour. Material of all kinds was plentiful in the far country. But the workman thought to himself, " Surely I know my own business best. I can use a bit of inferior material here. I can cheat on my workmanship a little there, and still make the finished work look good. Only I will ever know that what I have built has weaknesses."

The work was finally finished and the workman reported back to the great and wise man.

" Very good," he said. " Now remember that I told you to use only the best materials and workmanship in this house because I wanted to make a present of it to a very special friend. My friend, you are the person I had it built for. It is all yours."

And so it is with man. He has his free agency while he lives on earth. He may build as he likes, but on the morning of his resurrection he will receive what he has built for an eternal home and habitation.

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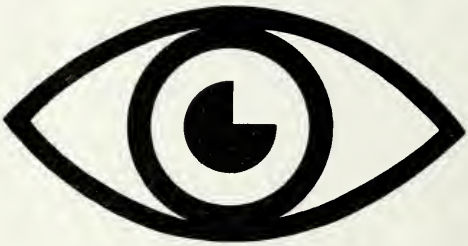

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